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From the Baron and Baroness

Greetings, Mighty Unser Hafen!

A most heartfelt thank you to Autocrat, Lady Rossilin, Feast Coordinator, Lady Galiana, and Lunch Coordinator, Lady Amice for their hard work and effectiveness which really helped the Coronation of Their Majesties to be a very successful event for the Kingdom. Sometimes in the complexity and stress of this event, formal thank yous are lost. The goal for these ladies was to have everything run so smoothly that it appeared to be effortless - you succeeded, but we know it took tremendous dedication and energy to be so successful, along with the help of your significant others, friends, and families who comprised the work teams. We thank you all, and please know that we do speak with the voice of the Crown in these words.

The silent auction at Coronation to benefit the Outlandish Herald and the Crown's Travel Fund was also very successful. Master Tamlene estimates over $400 was raised through the generosity of artisans and bidders. And, hopefully, you did not miss Count Maelgwn and Countess Lillian's entrance into their final court on horseback.....so elegant and so medieval! Thanks to THLady Thorhalla and Lady Moyra for this extra touch to make our memories truly grand.

At Sworded Affaire in al-Barran, Lord Kynnan of Wyre Forest received a Cordon Royale, which is given for exceptional personal service to the King during his reign. Lord Kynnan heralded nearly every Kingdom court during the last reign and traveled extensively to serve his King and his Knight, Count Maelgwn.

On the weekend of May 15-16, many from our Barony traveled to the Principality of North Shield in the Kingdom of the Middle (Midrealm) to participate in a border skirmish called Quest for Camelot. We found this excursion to a "foreign" land to be most enjoyable - the people of North Shield were great hosts and hopefully, our peoples have made many new friends in each other. The Outlands was pronounced the winner of the skirmish as we won 3 out of the 5 war points - Lord Conchobhar in fencing, THLady Nadrah (Medhbh) in A&S, and Mistress Lughbec in the quest. In addition, Rebekah took second place in the archery war point. But, everyone was a winner as it was an event with much chivalry and fun for all, and the Black Hills of South Dakota are most beautiful this time of year.

The month of June will see StagsCon III, the Kingdom officer training event, held in Dragonsspine on the 12th and 13th - if you are an officer or would like to be one, please try to participate in the many classes and discussions there to learn about the administrative side of our game. Our officers keep the organizational framework strong which is the foundation for our fun. And, please join us amongst the vast cattleherds of our Canton of Bosharrach for Cattle Raid IV on June 18-20. This year, Hawk's Hollow and Bosharrach team up against Caer Galen in a "negotiation" for lands where the cattle graze and the hawks nest at the border. This is a fun, easy-going event with equestrian and Scottish games thrown in for all to enjoy along with fighting, fencing and archery.

Glory! The Heroes War and Tri-Baronial Warlord/Defender are coming up soon. Please note that Field of Gold has been moved off its traditional Labor Day weekend this year by the hosting Barony of Dragonsspine. It will be August 27-29, and thus will be a one day shorter event. Additionally, there are now no planned northern events for the Labor Day weekend. Please share any concerns or questions about this with Lord Gwilim.

In service we remain,

Thorfinn Rosalind

Officer's Reports

Seneschal's Words

Reports from the Quest for Camelot in Northshield have come back, and I am jealous of those of you who were able to attend what was by all reports a stellar event. In speaking with some of the fighters who went, I heard praises for the honor and chivalry of the Mid Realm fighters. They took light, and played for honor and pleasure. The populace was welcoming and enthusiastic and all who journeyed north raved about the welcome they received. This is something for all of us to emulate in the months to come as our Barony hosts events and as our populace travels in the Known Worlde.

I also want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make Coronation a success. Our autocrat, Lady Rosslin was everywhere all day, the lunch cooked by Lady Amice was superb, as was the feast prepared by Lady Galiana with assistance from Mistress Theresea and M'Lady Conchoearre. (Gwilim's newest definition of hell.....live in a house where your lady is cooking a feast for a week and a half...and not be able to partake of any of it!). Our Mistress of the Lists, Lady Phaedra did yeoman work with the tournaments, Sir Kevin and M'Lady Rebecca were great at troll, and Lord Theo and Lord James were indispensable in setting up pavilions and list fields. Thanks also to our equestrian guild, and in particular Duke Olaf, THL Thorhalla, Lord Lorcan and Lady Moira for providing the horses for their former majesties processionals. I know that I haven't named everyone who served, as every time I looked, there were willing hands and smiling faces willing to take on any needed task. Thanks to
everyone!

We have some major events coming up in the next few months and I would like to put out a call to all of our artisans for prizes for various competitions. If you have something in mind, please contact THL Nadrah (formerly Medbh), Minister of Arts and Sciences or the event autocrat. Finally, a quick word about our younger members at events. We have a Ministry of Children, and at most major events we generally have organized activities for the younger gentles. However, we have had some instances where parents have left their children in the care of the youth coordinator, and later the children have refused to remain. I have it from good sources from certain Viking individuals that children who run around unsupervised at events may be captured and either duct- taped to the nearest pole, or sold into slavery. Seriously, I would request that parents be aware of the whereabouts of their children at events, and that they stress that if they are placed in someone's care, they need to remain with that person. Our game can be wondrous fun for the younger set, but we do need to make sure that they don't run afoul of things that can injure or harm them.

Enough lecturing.....it's event season! Pull out your tents, dust off your drums, bring out your dance costumes, practice old and new songs, uncork your bottles and prepare to revel as only Unser Hafen can!

Yours in service,

Gwillim de Glamorgan

Greetings From the Exchequer

As of 5/17/98 the balance in the Baronial treasury is $5,569.44.

In Service,

Mistress Theresea

From the Guild of Blacksmithing

There will not be a scheduled blacksmithing meeting in June. If you would like to smith sometime, please call Tamlene or Thorfinn and arrange a time.

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From the Minister of Arts and Sciences

Greetings,

Quest for Camelot was a lot of fun and Unser Hafen did very well in all the competitions. Mistress Lughbec won the quest. Lord Conchobhar won the rapier. Rebecca took second in the archery. I won the A&S competition. We had a number of people from our Barony who entered each competition and tournament and everyone had a good time. Congratulations to all who attended.

I am trying to organize a glass bead making class. I need at least 10 people. I am not sure of any dates yet, it will depend on everyone's schedules. If you are interested please let me know and be thinking about dates that will work for you. There is a company on the Internet called Sundance Art Glass, that is offering free glass bead making kits (every thing you need but the torch) for a shipping and handling fee of $6.50. I ordered one and got glass rods, a cooling blanket, mandrels and bead release. This is a good kit to try bead making without a huge investment.

I have given my deputy Lady Galiana the box of index cards for keeping track of who is doing what, and who can teach. Please see her and fill out a card. This will help future autocrats gather teachers for events.

In Service.

TH Lady Nadrah
(formerly Medhbh)

Archery Report

The Archery season is underway in spite of getting rained out, blown out and snowed out. We have managed to have two practices by including Tuesdays in the lineup. the Tuesday practice is from 6pm to dark, at the home of Tamlene ap Guidgen and Drahomira Jaroslavna, 6333 E Hwy 402, Loveland CO. Once My two Deputies are authorized archer marshals James of Mann (Chris Gumble, 625 1/2 Whedbee St, Ft Collins CO 80524, ph 970-472-1900) and Rebekah (Rebecka Strauser,

1400 W Elizabeth St Apt 102, Ft Collins CO 80521, ph 970-491-3299, email strauser@holly.colostate.edu) will be in charge of on practice a week James will have Tuesdays and Rebekah will have Thursdays.

In other news, I asked for a list of the archers of Unser Hafen and currently have 14 on the list. If you are not on the list and want to be please let me know ASAP.

And lastly, Congratulation to Rebekah for coming in Second place at the Quest for Camelot event on 05/15/99-05/16/99 in the Shire of Schattentor (Rapid City South Dakota), helping the Outlands emerge victorious over Artemisia and the Principality of Northshield.

Keep your eye on the gold!

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University of Caerthe

Traveler's tales were a popular Period entertainment and source of information. In keeping with this tradition, for our June University Rashiqah and Tuman will tell us about their adventures last year in the ancient land of Egypt. They will provide us with a general historical overview for perspective, as well as commentary on how history has been preserved (or not preserved) across the millennia. We will learn about, and see pictures of, architecture and art from Ancient, Coptic and Islamic times. We will also hear about their tomb explorations and learn how to bargain in the bazaar.

We will meet at 7:30 P.M., June 23, the fourth Wednesday of the month, at Salamander Manor, the home of Mistress Bernice of Brittany - 3495 Newland Street, WheatRidge. All are encouraged to attend. Period garb is optional, but appreciated. For further information, call Mistress Bernice, 303-233-9558, or Master Robin Vinehall, 303-444-5004. If you live in Unser Hafen, you can call Mistress Rashiqah at 970-484-1087.

Stags Con III

Dragonsspine, June 12-13, AS XXXIV (1999)

The Barony of Dragonsspine is pleased to be hosting Stag's Con III, on June 12th and 13th of this year. All local officers, deputies, and any interested gentles are invited and encouraged to attend. Kingdom Officers will hold both individual and group sessions for training and good fellowship. This is a great opportunity for everyone to come learn what the officers do! All are welcome.

The site is this year is Colorado College (the College of Tygre's Keep), located at 14 E. Cache la Poudre St. in Colorado Springs. Classes will be held in Armstrong Hall. Please contact Mistress Coemri, the Kingdom Seneschal, at seneschal@outlands.sca.org or at (308) 436-2690 for all matters dealing with the class content, or similar matters.

Gaylord Hall in the Worner Center will be the gathering place for court and feast. We will be offering a lunch again this year so the populace will not have to

leave site. Also this year there will be grilled feast in the evening after the afternoon session followed by an open session for discussing kingdom issues, all in Gaylord Hall.

Tentative schedule:
Saturday:
9:00a Opening Court
After court through Noon
First Session (Each office meets separately with their Kingdom Officer, and the Landed Nobility meets with TRM)
Noon to 1:00
Lunch Break (working lunch for those sessions which need/want more time)
1:00 to 3:00
First combined officers meeting (seneschals/reeves; rapiers/knight marshals; heralds/lists; chroniclers/hospitallers; A&S/scribes
3:00 to 5:00
Second combined meeting (all officers together, with each Kingdom officer sharing what every officer needs to know about their office)
Later: evening court, dinner and an 'all-thing' run by Mistress Coemri

Sunday:
9:00
First Session (Each office meets separately with their Kingdom Officer, and the Landed Nobility meets with TRM)
11:00
Kingdom officer's meeting

Fees: There is a $3 site fee and $7 for the lunch and dinner. This will not be a high formal feast, and eating utensils will be provided. The site is completely dry. Please send reservations to the Autocrat. There is crash space available, and we will also try to arrange deals with some local hotels. Contact the Autocrat to reserve crash space or for more details.
Directions: Exit I-25 in Colorado Springs at exit #143, Uintah Street. Head east (away from the mountains) to Cascade Avenue and turn right (south). Go through Colorado College and turn left onto the next street, Cache la Poudre. Armstrong Hall will be on your left (Armstrong is on the NE corner of Cascade and Cache la Poudre and Gaylord Hall is the NW corner). Parking is south and west of Armstrong Hall.
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List of Events

June

June 12-13 Stagscon III (Colorado Springs)
Autocrat: Thorvald (719)328-9281 thorvaldRV@aol.com

June 18-20 Cattle Raid IV (Greeley)
Autocrats: Moyra and Lorcan (970)352-9017
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June 23 University of Caerthe
Contacts:Robin Vinehall (303)444-5004
Rashiqah (970)484-1087

June 25-27 St. Sebastians Revisited (Colorado Springs)
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Angus (719)574-6570 forrester@pcisys.net
Eric (303)452-0717 thistlekeep@pcisys.net

June 26 Banner Tourney (Cheyenne, WY)
Autocrat: Aldyth (307)632-1133 aldyth@uswest.net

July

July 2-5 Glory, the Heroes' War
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July 9-12 Tri-Baronial Warlord
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August

August 13-15 Stags Bloodbath
Autocrat: Bjarki (307)745-3238 lordbjarki@aol.com or
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August 20-23 Highland Games
Autocrat: Ivan (303)940-7746 macivan@aol.com

June

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNE
		1 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm Sewing Circle 7pm (Mistress Tehri's home)	*Fighter Practic*
6 Fighter/Fencer Practice 1-5pm, City Park	7 Baronial Bash 7pm (Mtn Range Shadows Clubhouse)	8 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm Sewing Circle 7pm (Mistress Tehri's home)	*Fighter Practic*
13 Stagscon III Fighter/Fencer Practice 1-5pm, City Park	14 Dance Practice 7pm (Mtn Range Shadows Clubhouse)	Armouring Guild 15 (Master Thorfinn's home) 6 - 9 pm Sewing Circle 7pm (Mistress Tehri's home)	*Fighter Practic*
20 Cattle Raid IV No Fighter/Fencer Practice	21 Officer's Meeting	22 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm Sewing Circle 7pm (Mistress Tehri's home)	Caerthen Univ *Fighter Practic*
27 St. Sebastian's Revisited Regional Fighter/Fencer Practice 1-5pm, City Park	28 Dance Practice 7pm (Mtn Range Shadows Clubhouse)	29 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm Sewing Circle 7pm (Mistress Tehri's home)	

Italic type indicates Bofharrach events

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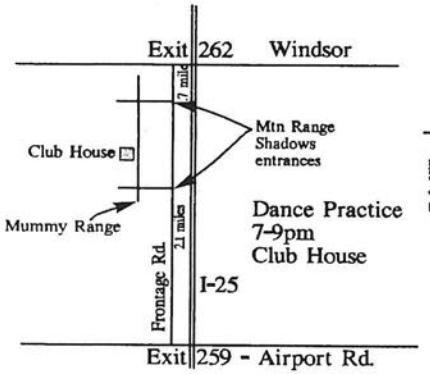
SDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 *e 7pm*	3 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm	4	5
9 *e 7pm*	10 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm	11	12 Stagscon III (Dragonspine)
16 *e 7pm*	17 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm	18 Cattle Raid IV (Bofharrach)	19 Cattle Raid IV
23 versity *e 7pm*	24 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm	25 St. Sebastian's Revisited (Dragonspine)	26 St. Sebastian's Revisited
30	July 1 Archery at Tamelene's house, 6pm	2 Glory! (Unser Hafen)	3 Glory!

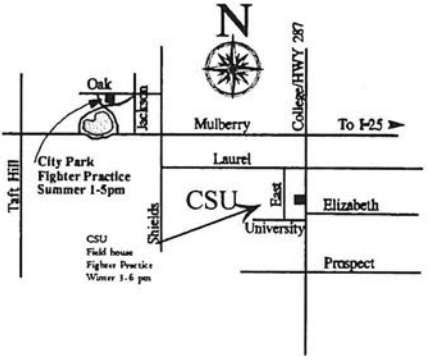
Baronial Activities

Archery Meeting	Thursday nights at Tamlene's house	Lord Conchobhar	(970)353-6782
Armouring Guild	Tuesday after the first dance practice, 6pm-9pm at Thorfinn's house. Private sessions by appointment	Master Thorfinn	(970)667-1284
Black smithing Guild		Master Tamlene	(970)663-1513
Dance Practice	2nd & 4th Mon 7-9pm	Mistress Catriona (see map for location)	(970)669-1754
Equestrian Guild		Lady Rosslin	(970)221-0850
Fencing	Sundays 1-5pm	THLord Robert Stewart (see map for location)	(970)226-8573
Fighter Practice	Sundays 1-5pm	Lord Theopompus (see map for location)	(970)221-3558
Officers' Meeting	3rd Mon 7pm	Lord Gwillim (call for directions)	(970)407-1283
Sewing Circle	Tues 7-10pm	Mistress Theresea 622 Whedbee, Ft. Collins	(970)482-6608

Dance Practice and Baronial Bash Map



Fighter/Fencing Practice Map



The directions for Gofharraich's fighter practice.

Directions to Evans City park From I-25 take road 402 exit and go east, just before you get to Evans this road turns into 37th street. Stay on 37th, go across highway 85, across the rail road tracks, to Boulder street (look for the sign for the post office) turn right or south go 2 blocks and the park is across the street from the post office.

Cattle Raid IV

Bofharrach, June 18-20, AS XXXIV (1999)

Come one and all to another summer weekend filled with camping, fighting, and more fun than you can shake a sword at! Our Allies, Hawks Hollow have told us that there is troubles brewing over the question of land ownership with their neighbors, Caer Galen. Of course Bofharrach had pledged to come to the aid of our fellow canton and ally, we shall go to battle to determine ownership! Our Equestrians shall challenge the Horsemen of Caer Galen to a Tournament, Our Archers shall shoot for their honor, Our Scotsmen(and pseudo Scotsmen) will show their strength and legs in the highland games, and Our fighters shall fight for glory on the Tourney fields on Saturday. On Sunday all question of ownership will be settled on the Melee fields!

Duke Olaf will once again be sponsoring a 24" round shield tournament with a hand made knife as the prize. Plans have been made for building the beginnings of a fort for this year, to bring a new element to the Melee!

The equestrian tournament will be run in the style of Sir Manfred of Meridies, in high heraldic fashion. Games to include the Quintain, ring jousting, spear throw and pig sticking. Full barding and heraldic displays are highly encouraged! Ikeqcs shall be run on Sunday morning before the Melees start. All riders are asked to pay $5.00 in addition to the site fee to help cover the cost of Insurance. Unfortunately there are no rental horses available. Please contact the Autocrat if you are planning to bring a horse.! Anyone bringing a horse is responsible for suppling their own method of containment.

Restrictions: No dogs allowed. No open fires. Tiki torches are allowed with a fire extingusher in plain site.

Site fees: $6.00 for adults, $3.00 for children under 15. There is no water available on the site and there will be no feast. A donation meal will be available on Saturday

Autocrats: Lady Moyra and Lord Lorcan MacColla (Jeanne & Lauren Mitchell), 2121 6th Ave., Greeley,CO 80631, (970) 352-9017, maccolla@info2000.net

Declaration of Hostilities

From time to time the delicacies of diplomacy and good relations between two groups can come to an end, opening the way for hostile action.

Therefore, due to the impasse between the Canton of HawkÆs Hollow and the Shire of Caer Galen, the Canton of Hawks Hollow declares a begin of Hostilities with the Shire of Caer Galen.

Due to the stated surrender of the entire Shire of Caer Galen by one of its residents, Ld Valentine Michael, to the Canton of Hawks Hollow on August 23rd in the 33rd year of the Society, the Canton of Hawks Hollow does make right and just claim to the Shire of Caer Galen and demands the immediate surrender of all land and property in and around the walls of Caer Galen. This surrender was witnessed by Ldy Angelique Rive de Hellsgate, Ldy Meadhbh Daingen int Sliabhe, and Ldy Tetsutaka Yukihana. All Ladies who are in good standing with the Canton of Hawks Hollow.

Seeing that the Shire of Caer Galen has made no effort to bring this matter to a satisfactory conclusion, the Canton of Hawks Hollow and her allies shall meet the Shire of Caer Galen on the field of battle on June 20th in the Canton of Bofharrach at Cattle Raid.

"Enforce the Law with Justice and Mercy"
Deus lo Volts.
Ld. Spellan o'conchobhair

St. Sebastians Revisited

Dragonsspine, June 25-27, AS XXXIV (1999)

The Barony of Dragonsspine welcomes one and all to the first (hopefully annual) St. Sebastian Revisited archery tournament and rapier academy. With the assistance of Hawks Hollow and many other Outlandish gentles we will have a weekend of great tournaments for all.

Archers will enjoy many diverse shoots, including a hunt, flying targets, gnomes, castle defense, and other fun shoots in addition to the traditional royal rounds. Rapier fighters may wish to attend a series of classes organized by Don Tryffin, and a tournament or two run by Lady Diana of the Tulips. She welcomes any and all ideas for tournaments, but they WILL be fun.

This grand event will take open at 4:00 pm Friday, June 25th and will continue until 3:00 pm on Sunday, June 27th. The site is the Lost Burro Campground, 4 miles west of Cripple Creek, Colorado. The site has toilets and showers(for those camping) and the campground office sells ice and firewood (you can bring firewood with you but what you do not use you must pack out with you). Fires in fire pits or contained fires only. Pets must be attended at all times or kept in the kennel available at the site. Be aware there is abundant wildlife. Please lock food up at night. The site is discreetly wet (Period containers only). No alcohol is allowed on the archery range.

Site fees are: $10 if you camp Friday and Saturday $7 if you only camp Saturday $5 for the whole event if you aren't camping. Children under 6 attend for free, 6-12 are half price. No reservations are being taken. Please be sure to pay at the event Troll booth and not the campground office.

Directions to the site: Take I-25 to Colorado Springs. Take the US Highway 24 West / Cimmaron Street exit and go west (towards the mountains). Stay on US-24 through Woodland Park to Divide (about 24 miles from I-25). Go another 2 miles on US-24 past Divide and turn left on Twin Rock Road. Follow this to Teller County Rd 1 and turn left. Follow TC-1 until you see the signs for the SCA and the Lost Burro Campground.

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Banner tourney

Windkeep, June 26, AS XXXIV (1999)

The Shire of Windkeep invites all who read these letters to come and celebrate Banner Tourney June 26th, 1999. It will be in Lions Park, Cheyenne, Wyoming and starts at 10 am and runs till 3 pm. We will have heavy and light tourneys, dancing, and a quest.

The Windkeep A&S Champion will be decided. To enter the list, you must have a Banner. Your own will do, or borrow someone else's, decorative or heraldic, but heraldry counts. There will be prizes for the winners of the tourneys, and prizes for best death, bereavement, best looking armor, best banner, most chivalrous. We need drummers and middle eastern dancers. Let me know if you can help out in that area. The site is dry, pets on leashes and kids in parental control. All stakes for pavilions must be no longer than 6 inches as they have installed a new sprinkler system. The quest will be designed around the "F" word.

The site fee is free, and children are half price.

Directions: Take the Central avenue exit from I-25 and proceed east to 8th Avenue. Turn right (west) on 8th and then turn right again into Lions Park. We have the area immediately to the right of the main road to the Botanical Gardens. We can unload next to the main road prior to 9 am. After that, we have to park and walk the stuff in.

Site Steward: Baroness Aldyth Trefaldwyn (Debbie Hammons), 10700 Ranch Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009, (307) 632-1133, aldyth@aol.com

Tourney Coordinator: Lord Evan Embleton (John Webb), 1741 A Piute Drive, F.E.Warren AFB, Wyoming 82005, (307) 632-1715, lord.evan@usa.net

glory, the heroes' war

Noon July 2nd - Noon July 5th

The Gentle folk of the Barony of Unser Hafen invite warriors of all types to join us for Glory, The Heroes' War!

Our new site, Skyline camp, is secluded in the mountains near Encampment,Wyoming, and offers cool temperatures, spacious camping areas and showers on site! However, due to the possibility of wildlife in the area, no pets are allowed. The site is discreetly wet.

There will be tournaments for heavy, light and archery every morning, and a schedule of melees every afternoon that will exhaust even the most hardened war hound. The schedule includes station tourneys, three man team tourneys, and melees of every kind. Test your skills in the prize tourney for a chance to win a handcrafted Carnyx (celtic war horn) made by Sir Deotrich Hiltipard, or push your endurance to the limits in the Legio Borealis Scout's Gauntlet. Lord Lochlainn, Lord Conchobhar, and Lord Robert Stewart, the fighting and archery coordinators, promise you will fight and shoot until you drop!

Back from last year, our full service Inn will provide a complete meal plan from Saturday morning through lunch on Sunday. The Innkeeper, Mistress Meiriel of Tay, has an exciting (and filling) menu planned, including a midnight snack of milk and cookies on Saturday night!

Inn Menu

Breakfast Saturday and Sunday: Full western Breakfast
Lunch Saturday and Sunday: Meat pies, fruit, vegetables
Dinner Saturday: Roast Chicken

Drinks of all kinds (Tea, Coffee, Lemonade, Gatorade, etc.) are included in the general site fee.

Fees: Site fee will be $9 for adults and $4 for children under the age of 12. There is a family cap on site fee of $26. For the meal plan at the Inn, which includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday and breakfast and lunch on Sunday, the price will be $15 for adults and $10 for children under the age of 10. The deadline for paid Inn reservations will be June 11. For any dietary restrictions, please contact the Innkeeper.

Directions: Take your best route to Laramie, Wyoming, then take state hwy. 230 west to the Skyline Church Camp (there is a large sign).

Plan now to attend (reservations last year almost sold out!). For further information, contact the autocrats:

Autocrats: Lady Arianrod ni Conchobhar (Amber Ebert) and Aonghus, Lord Lochlainn (Robin Callahan) at 1623 Larch St., Fort Collins, Colorado 80521, (970) 498-8847, Lochlainn@juno.com or Arianrodniconchobhar@juno.com

Innkeeper: Mistress Meriel of Tay (Susan Clotfelter)(970)461-0282 susanc@interweave.com

Tri-Baronial Warlord

Caerthe, July 9-12, AS XXXIV (1999)

Hark! and pray attend! The Baronies of Caerthe, Dragonsspine, and Unser Hafen, call forth all Warriors, Fencers, Archers, Bards, Artisans, and Merchants to Meadows Campground on July 9th weekend, to determine the Best of our Best, and name our Warlords! This grand event is to be overflowing with battles of sword, steel, and arrow. The spectators will enjoy shopping, art displays, and fine music.

The site, again, is Meadows Campground, approximately one hour SW of Denver. There will be signs along the way. The site is discreetly wet, all alcohol in period containers only. Beasts and pets are to be leased at all times – there are NO exceptions. There are permanent toilets and water on site. Site opens at 2:00 PM on Friday, July 9th, and closes on noon Monday, July 12th. We are unsure if there is to be a feast at this time, but information will be posted in the next article. There will be a Bardic, so entertainers prepare!

Site fees for the weekend are: Members 12 and over $8.00; children under 12 are $4.00; family fee (two member adults and two children) is $24.00. Non - members add $2.00. Reservations for site is recommend and can be made by phone, e-mail, or regular mail.

Directions: Take US Highway 285 South to Pine Junction. At this point, you are actually traveling west, so turn South (left) onto Jefferson County Road 126. Go 15 miles to Buffalo Creek, turn right on Forest Road 55 and go 5 more miles to the site. There will be signs.
Autocrat: Lord Ivan Alsander (Chris Korin) 5525 Saulsbury CT, Arvada, CO 80002-3142, (303) 940-7746, MacIvan@aol.com.
Merchants: For a tithe we are offering free site for two adults. Please contact the autocrat.

Stags Bloodbath

Windkeep, August 13-15, AS XXXIV (1999)

The Shire of Windkeep invites all who read these letters to prepare for a Bath, a Stag's Bloodbath like no other.

On Saturday morning at 9:00a will be the Stag's Blood Tournament. Immediately following will be the Stag's Blood VS. Theign battle. After that will be melee's upon melee's from the mind of Duke Olaf Bjornsson. Saturday night (weather and fire danger permitting) will be a torchlight tournament, styles to be determined later. Sunday will be Blood of Hero's. I encourage all who enjoy the game to compete vs. the Outlands league team, and possibly the Calontir team. Contact Lord Bjarki for details if you don't know how to play and are interested.

Tell your stories at the Bardic fire (conditions permitting). Bring your drums, bring your pipes, your rattan. Baroness Aldyth will prepare field meals twice a day. Cost will be $10 for the weekend, children half-price. Families, contact the autocrat for special consideration. Reservations are due by August first for port-a-potty and meal planning.

All profit from this event will go to the Kingdom. Part of our fees will be determined by cars on site. We encourage carpooling.

If there are fencers who attend and want to hold their own scenario's, that can be arranged.
Site Steward: Lord Bjarki Gulbjornsson (Justin Hammons), 1263 E 6th #C, Laramie, Wyoming 82070, (307) 745-3238, LordBjarki@aol.com, Stagsblood@juno.com
Reservations: Baroness Aldyth Trefaldwyn (Debbie Hammons), 10700 Ranch Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009, (307) 632-1133, Aldyth@aol.com

Highland Games

Caerthe, August 20-23, AS XXXIV (1999)

Greetings good gentles! It is time to begin thinking and preparing for the 2nd annual Caerthen
Highland Games.

Merchants this year you will be set up next to the competition field. Two new events will be making their debut, the tug o war and the torch light ax throw.

More information to follow next month.
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A Lament For Deirdre

By Sean Ui Neill the Staffmaker

Where is the little one,
Who frolicked by my side?
Gone now these ages past,
She went away and died.

Conchobar had sent her here,
To keep her safely hid.
Growing into womanhood,
A bride for his bed.

Her beauty was so unsurpassed,
Her countenance so rare.
The sons of Uisliu captured her,
On Alba's shores they laired.

But Alba's men wre fearing harm,
At mighty Conchobar's hand.
Ulaid's forces brought her back,
The sons of Uisliu banned.

Ulain's lands were laid a waste,
For wont of her fair hand.
Two mighty men their swords were bright,
With blood of Ulaid's lads.

With much despair did Deirdre spy,
The carnage and the strife.
She dashed her head upon a rock,
And there she quickly died.

The druid's words had come to pass,
And Conchobar's heart did burst.
She took her life and thus was freed,
From beauty's awful curse.

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